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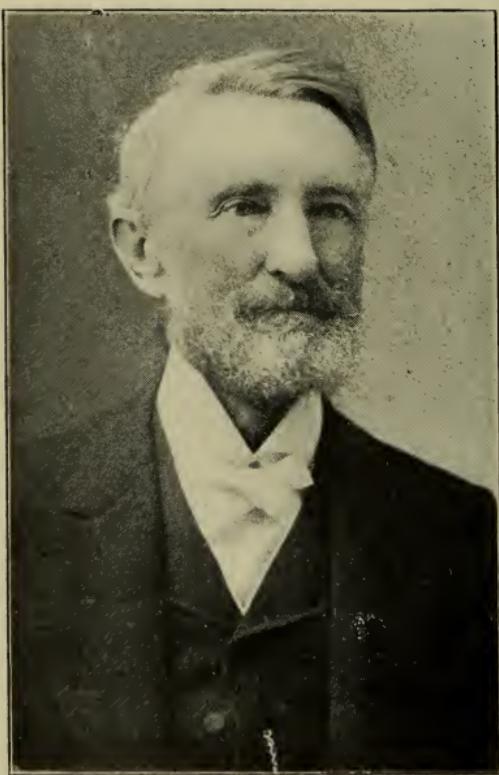
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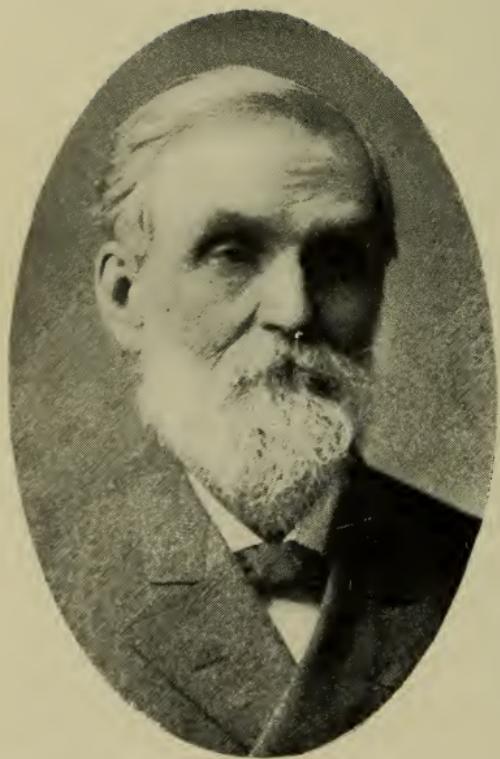
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CAPT. BEN ELI GUTHRIE, A.M., LL.D.

In Memoriam

Erasmus Downing Pearson was born June 6, 1830, in Saline County, Missouri. His parents were Alonzo Pearson and Eliza (Sappington) Pearson, who, after the death of her first husband, married Governor Claiborne F. Jackson, of Missouri.

His early life was spent in Saline and Howard Counties, and at the age of eighteen he entered Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn., from which he was graduated in 1852.

He became a candidate for the ministry in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at the age of twenty-two; was ordained in 1854. He was pastor of the church at Louisiana, Mo., for forty-nine years; and was Stated Clerk of Salt River Presbytery for fifty years, missing but one or two meetings in that time.

He was chairman of the commission which raised the funds with which to build and endow Missouri Valley College, the successor to old McGee College; and to his courage and energy is due much of the success of that commission. After the organization of the corporation he became President of the Board of Trustees; which position he held until his death.

He was married in 1859 to Miss Orpah M. Dysart

whose death preceded his by two years. They reared four children: Eugene, Jno. A., Ras and Donnell M. Pearson. A daughter, Will Ella, died in 1884.

He held the following academic degrees: A.B.,

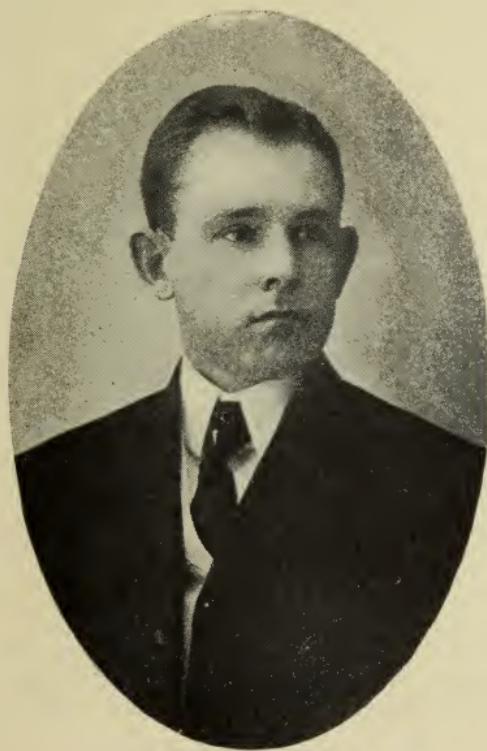


JOHN E. McGINNIS, A.B., 1904.

Cumberland University, 1852; (Hon.) D.D., Cumberland University, 1887; (Hon.) LL.D., Missouri Valley College, 1906.

His name is perpetuated in the Pearsonian Literary

Society, one of the three organizations in the College; his work, in the hundreds of lives touched by his influence, and the splendid institution in the work of whose foundation he did so much; and his memory in the hearts of the thousands who knew and loved him.



GEORGE R. CROCKETT, PH.B., 1904.

The Alumni Council

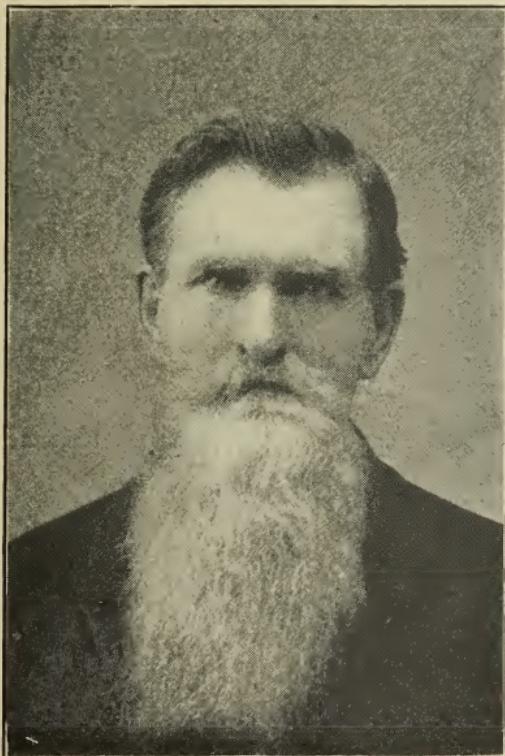
The work planned for the Alumni Council has been put forward with much energy and determination. The success already attained by the various committees has varied somewhat in different cases but on the whole is pleasing. Many of the committees worked under difficulties by having new and unexpected problems confront them soon after organization, which demanded an immediate solution. This hindered the progress of the work for the time being to no little a degree. However, the mettle of the Alumni has been tried and difficulties have served only to strengthen their enthusiasm and determination. "A successful service to the College" is their aim and it is being realized in their work.

A brief recapitulation of some of the work done is given below:

The Committee on Advisory Matters and Administration has had but little work to do. No problems of discipline have arisen and the work of College organization for the present year was completed before the committee was organized.

The Committee on Alumni Organization has perfected "Missouri Valley Clubs" organization in sev-

eral counties. Its work has been only well begun thus far. Several reunions were held during the summer in Saline, Johnson, Jasper and Macon counties. These were largely attended and the work done has had its effect in directing new students hither.



JUDGE DAVID DANIEL ROSE.

The Committee on Ways and Means has rendered valuable service. Prospective students have been located in various places, and have been reached by the members of the committee. "Vacant" fields have

been sought and the influence of the College directed thither. Plans are being made by which the Summer School is to be made larger, it being realized that teachers who migrate from place to place are of great



MRS. J. M. PATTERSON.

help in advertising the merits of a school, which they learn in this "comparative study."

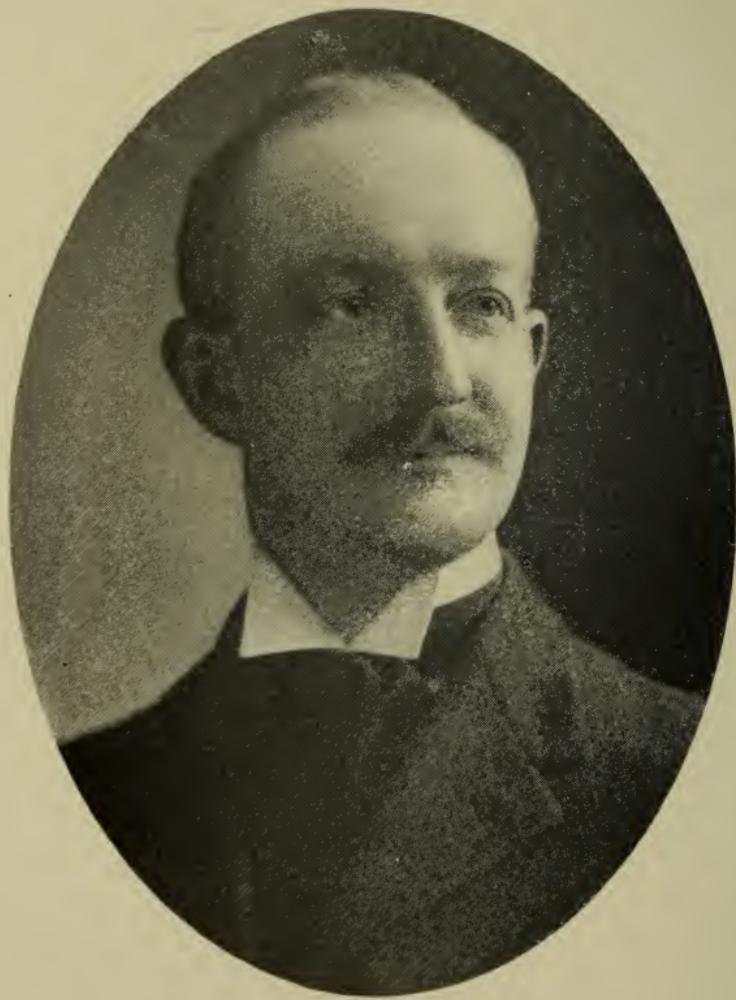
The Committee on College Organization has been consulted by the students from time to time and has given them no little assistance. The play to be pre-

sented by the College students this spring is under its supervision. This committee is to manage an open-air play to be given during Commencement Week by the well-known Ben Greet Company on the campus.



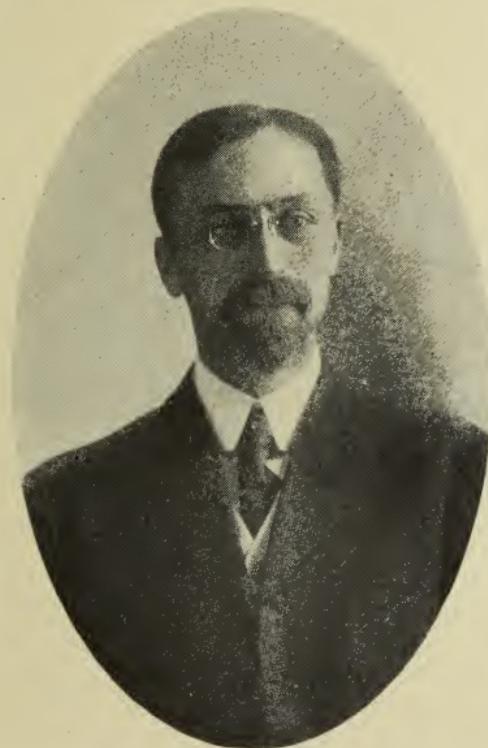
A. GUTHRIE.

The Committee on Women Students' Welfare has been furthering the interest of the women students in a social way. The Monday Club of Marshall, representing the organized culture of the ladies of Marshall,



GEORGE H. ALTHOUSE, A.B., 1895,
Denver, Col.

tendered the College women a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Rea on the afternoon of October 5. The appointments were perfect and the gathering very pleasant indeed. The acquaintances thus formed are not only a source of pleasure, but do much



J. D. PRIGMORES, A.B., S.M., B.D.

toward identifying the students with cultured society while in Marshall and counteracting any tendency toward frivolity and cheapness in social tastes. We take pleasure in expressing our appreciation of the

work of the Monday Club, some of whose principal officers and members are on this committee.

The Committee on Athletics has raised a sum of money with which it intends building a new grand-



MRS. DR. HARDIN,
President "Monday Club," Marshall, Mo.

stand on the baseball field. It will also stand back of the student Athletic Association and relieve the students of considerable expense in promoting their athletic contests.

The future relations of the Council to the College remain yet to be determined by its work and the co-operation which it receives from the Alumni and other friends. In some of the Eastern Universities the

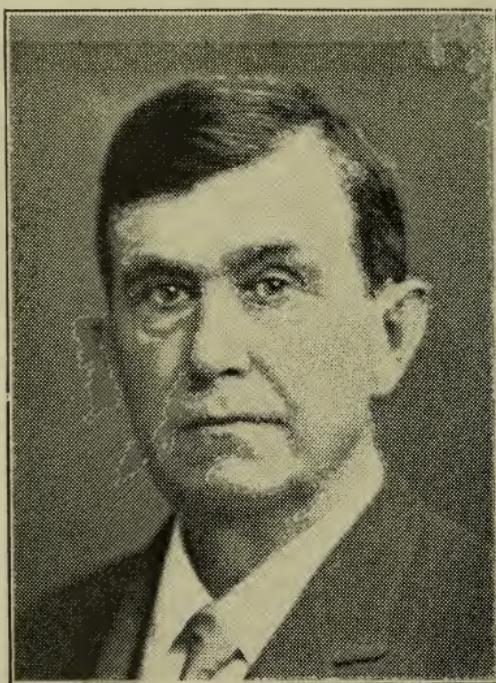


WM. H. ZEIGEL, A.B., A.M.

Alumni Council elects, or nominates, the members of the Board of Trustees and has a certain degree of actual management in business affairs. In others, it acts as a subordinate organization, and renders val-

able aid in securing students, endowment, and improvements and enlarges by personal effort the field of the school's influence. In some others it is scarcely more than a "fifth wheel."

The work of our own Council is very promising in



MR. JOHN C. COBB.

many features. We, as Alumni, should remember, however, that with us our work has not passed the experimental stage; that as one of the earliest Western schools to try the plan we have some problems of

our own to solve. We believe we are able to meet them and to solve them successfully. But our fitness or unfitness for additional responsibility and honor will be proved by our work.



LELA HAYES, PH.B.

Alumni Notes

NOTE — This number of the BULLETIN has been edited by Rev. Harry M. John, A.B., of the Class of 1909, now of Johns Hopkins University of Baltimore, Md., who has very kindly and efficiently relieved us of this editorial task at this time when the burden of correspondence has been unusually heavy. We are not only under obligations to him for the service rendered, but also for the very capable manner in which he has rendered the service and for the Alumni news which he has gathered.

An announcement of summer courses for teachers and others will be found among the back pages of this number. The last few years have witnessed a considerable increase in the number of students who expect to enter the field of education, and who wish at the same time to cover a wider field in the liberal arts than can be done in the technical schools. To accommodate these, the College has this year inaugurated a course, offered to Seniors, in Educational Psychology, History of Education and Pedagogy, which may be taken as elective and credited toward the A.B. or Ph.B. degrees. When thus taken, the graduate will receive a Missouri state certificate, without examina-

tion, good for life. These courses are very popular with such students, and fill a long-felt need.

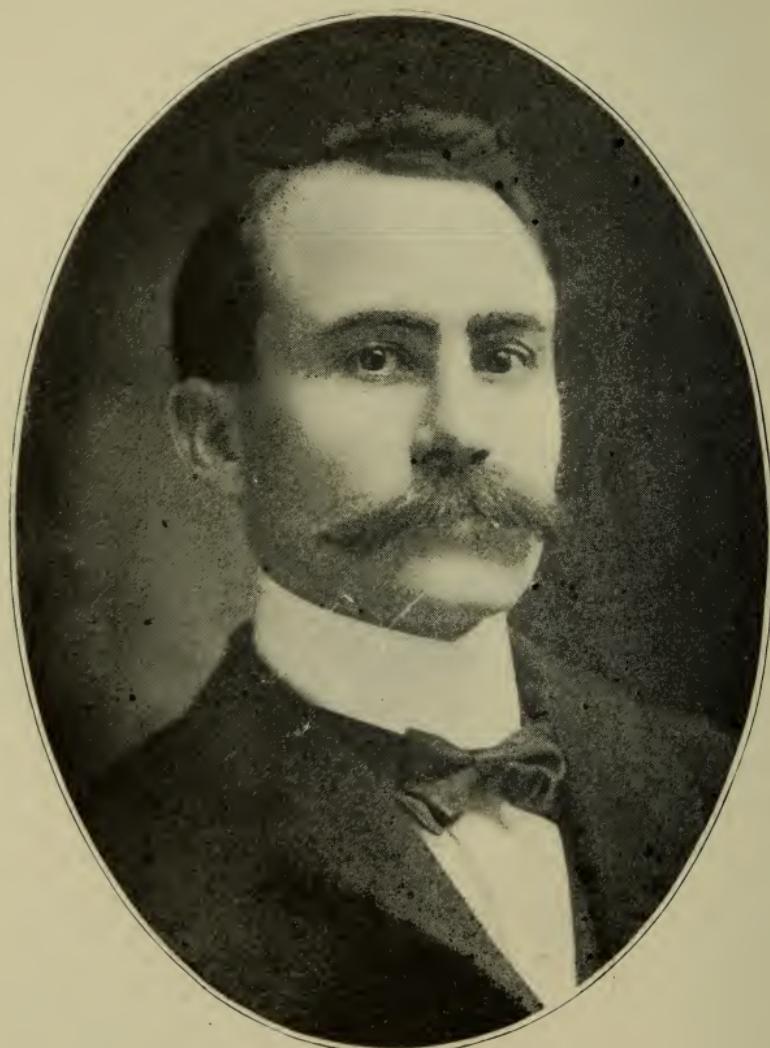
By the way, quite a number of our Alumni are achieving some prominence in education. Some of these are mentioned below:



R. L. SHEPHERD, A.B.

John F. Dabbs, A.B., '92, died while holding a professorship in the University of Arizona.

Ava D. Steele, A.B., '96, (A.M. University of Missouri, '00), is Professor of English in the University of Illinois.



EZRA F. BAKER, A.B., A.M., B.D.

Robert L. Shepherd, A.B., '97, who also took several years of graduate work in Chicago and Columbia universities and the Union Theological Seminary, New York, held the chair of Sociology and Economics in Missouri Valley College for four years.

Ezra F. Baker, A.B., '98 (A.M., Columbia Univer-



ELI N. ALLEN, A.B.

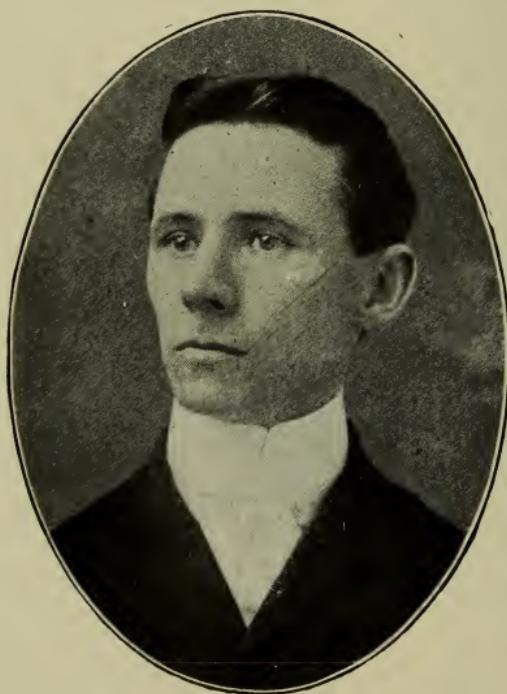
sity, B.D., Union Theological Seminary), is Professor of Philosophy and English Bible in Trinity University, Waxahachie, Texas.

Mary Belle (Campbell) Huff, A.B., '99, is Professor of History in Missouri Valley College.

Wm. J. Hawkins, Ph.B., '99, LL.D., '06, is Presi-

dent of the Warrensburg State Normal School (Missouri).

Walter R. Smith, Ph.B., '99 (A.M., Harvard, '03), held the Chair of History in Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio, for some time, and is now Professor of History in the State Normal School at Emporia, Kans.



JOHN A. WARD, A.B.

Wm. F. Zeigel, A.B., '00 (A.M., University of Missouri, '04), is Professor of Mathematics, Kirksville State Normal School (Missouri).

Edmund Wayne Davis, A.B., '01 (A.M., Harvard,

'06), is Instructor in Latin and Greek, Baker-Himel School, Knoxville, Tenn.

Charles H. McCord, A.B., '02, is President of Bethel College, Mackenzie, Tenn.

John H. McGinnis, A.B., '04 (A.M., University of Missouri), is Professor of English, Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas.

Anna Lou Blair, A.B., '05, is a teacher in the State Normal, Springfield, Mo.

Wesley M. Smith, A.B., '06, is an Instructor in the Theological School, Vanderbilt University.

Eli N. Allen, A.B., '92 (A.M., University of the City of New York and graduate of Union Theological Seminary, New York), is the successful pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Portland, Ore.—the largest church of its kind in the city. He sends an interesting account of his work there, and of his recent travel and study in Europe and Palestine, which would make "good readin'" had we only the space in which to publish it.

George H. Althouse, Jr., A.B., '95, is in business at Denver, Col. His health has been recovered and he sends a cheering message from the Rockies. His friends will be glad to see his likeness in another place.

George N. Davis, A.B., '96, is practicing law at Macon, Mo. We hear good reports of him and his work.

Ava D. Steele, A.B., '96, has been visiting her father, Mr. T. S. Steele, who is suffering from paralysis.

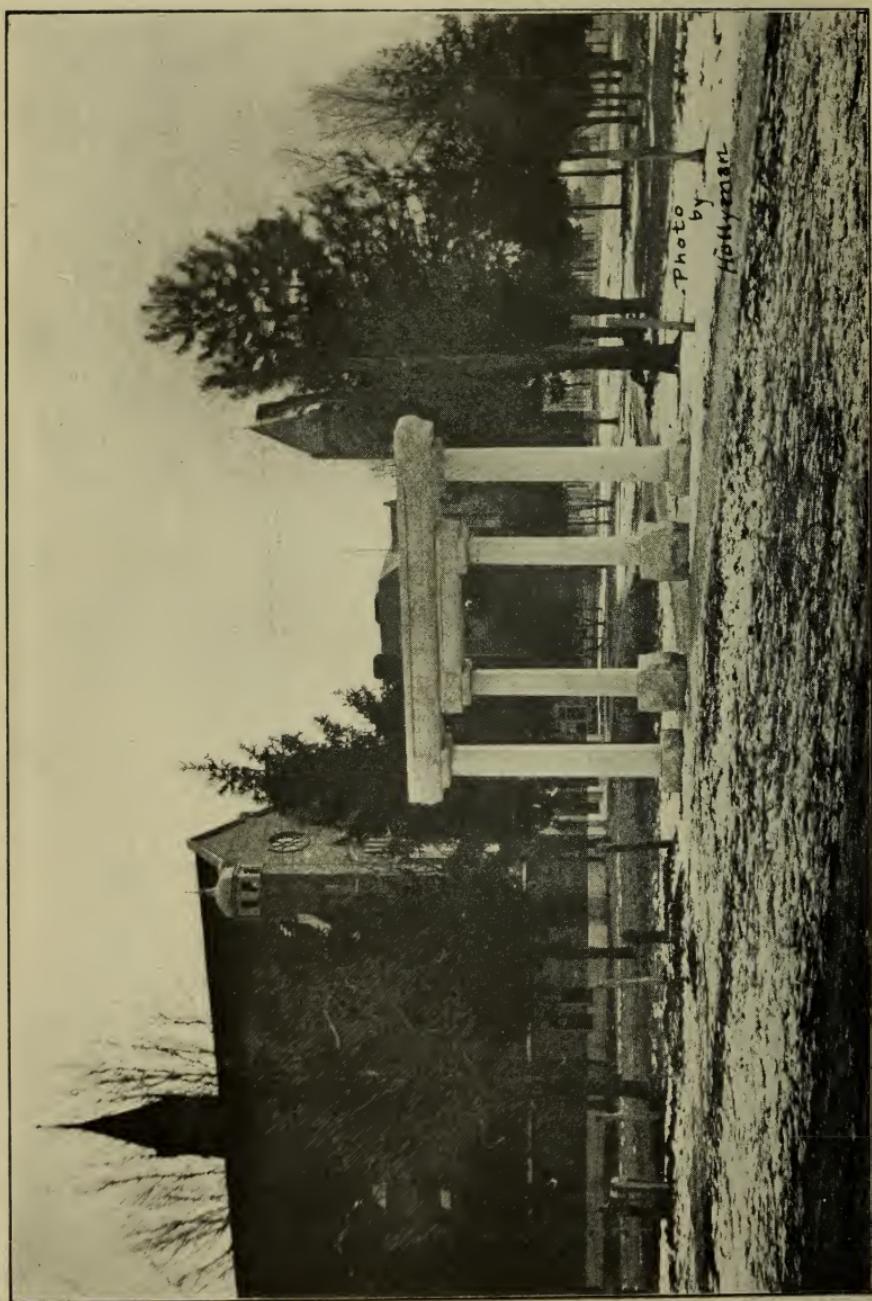


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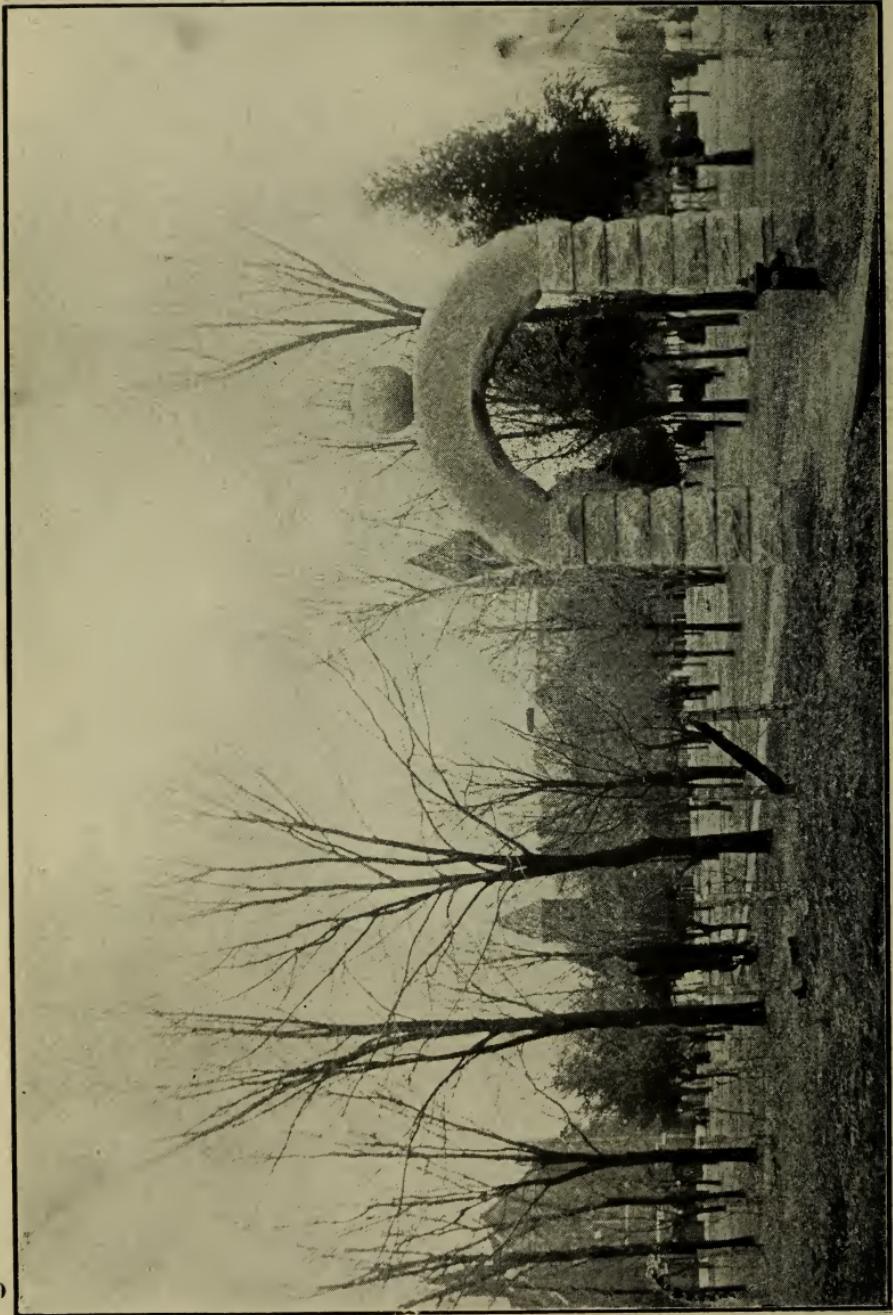
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We are glad to be able to reproduce in this number the likenesses of Judge David Daniel Rose, of Curryville, Mo., and Mr. John C. Cobb, of Odessa, Mo. Judge Rose endowed the Chair of English in Missouri Valley College, which bears his name, and the Alumni and students who have been benefited by his generosity will be glad to see his picture in the BULLETIN. Mr. John C. Cobb is a member of the Board of Trustees, and has ever been a true friend of the College. He and his wife for two years supported the Chair of Biblical Literature, and have made other large contributions from time to time. His time and money which have been so freely given, evidence the true regard which he holds for the institution.

The different members of the Alumni Association will regret to hear of an accident which befell Professor Albert McGinnis, A.M., Litt.D., during the Christmas holidays. A fall from the roof of his house caused internal injuries which will keep him from his work for some weeks to come.

Two recent weddings will interest the friends of those immediately concerned: John A. Jones, A.B., '97, and Miss Stella Burton, of Marshall, Mo.; and Wm. A. McCammon, Ph.B., '00, and Ethel Spurgin, A.B., '04. The Alumni offer congratulations.

Robert L. Shepherd, A.B., '97, who resigned the Chair of Sociology at Missouri Valley last spring to take up pastoral work in Wheaton, Ill., writes con-



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cerning his work there. He is pastor of the newly organized First Presbyterian Church at that point, with apparently a promising future. We understand the church is to approach the institutional type and that it has a large work to do. The Alumni who know Mr. Shepherd and appreciate his character and qualifications, will watch the development of these plans with special interest and expectation of success.

Joseph D. Prigmore, A.B., '01 (A.M., B.D., Yale), has accepted the pastorate of the Broadway Presbyterian Church, Sedalia, Mo.

Olin H. Coulter, A.B., '05, is in the hardware business at Amarillo, Texas.

Margarete E. Moore, A.B., '06, who has been a Missionary to Japan for some years, has resigned and will return home in a few months.

Lela Hayes, Ph.B., '08, has been ill for four months of typhoid fever at her home in Marshall. We are glad to note, however, that her condition is finally improved.

The class of 1909 have erected as their memorial an arch and carriage landing at the north entrance to the campus. The landing is of concrete and forms the base for the arch, which is of Bedford limestone. It was built by Tipping Bros., of Marshall. Its beauty is now causing the north entrance to be used as the main gateway by most of the students and visitors, rather than the other, which was formerly the more

popular. The class of 1908 had previously erected a very handsome arch at the northwest gate, which added greatly to the beauty of the campus. We understand that a stone wall will probably be built by the next four classes, running from the northwest corner to the north gateway, with tablets erected at suitable intervals bearing the names of the members of the class which erected that portion of the wall. We understand also that a third memorial arch will be erected on the west side of the campus, by a single Alumnus, in memory of his father, as soon as certain preliminary conditions shall have been arranged. These improvements, together with the handsome stone seat presented by the class of 1904, show the loyalty of the Alumni to Alma Mater. These examples will be followed by other classes in their individual ways from time to time.

The Alumni resident in Marshall and vicinity were received by President and Mrs. Black at their home on the evening of Christmas last. The reunion was a joyful one. About forty-two Alumni were present. After refreshments were served, some business was discussed by the members present, an account of which appears in the work reported by the Alumni Council.

Capt. Ben Eli Guthrie, A.M., LL.D., of Macon, Mo., is a member of the Board of Trustees. Few of the Alumni or friends of the college have not become acquainted with him. An Alumnus of old McGee,

and later a teacher there; a captain in the Confederate army, and of late years a successful lawyer of the highest type; a tireless worker, unselfish and true, in church, collegiate and civil affairs—we are proud to acknowledge him as our friend. His son, R. A. Guthrie, is Chairman of the Missouri Valley College Association of Macon County. We have succeeded after some effort in securing their pictures for reproduction here.

For the account of the reception given the women of the college by the Monday Club on October 4, we are indebted to the President of the Monday Club, Mrs. Dr. G. A. Hardin, of Marshall, Mo. We regret that excessive modesty on the part of some of the other ladies prevented us from securing their pictures for publication.

George R. Crockett, Ph.B., '04, is manager of the Marshall Acetylene Company. He has been successful in his business life. In the sad death of his young wife, who was Miss Myrtle Baker, of Slater, Mo., which occurred a few months ago, he has the sympathy of all who know him.

Rev. W. F. Perry, A.B., '92, who organized the Houxonian Literary Society, has left Independence, Mo., to take charge of the Presbyterian Church at Fairfield, Neb. We regret that we were unable to secure a likeness of Mr. Perry for this issue.

Mrs. J. M. Patterson, the local reporter of the

Democrat-News, of Marshall, has been chosen official reporter of all the college and alumni activities. A place is reserved for her at each of these, and she is always a welcomed guest. She holds a high place in the esteem and affection of her acquaintances among us.

Helen B. Hubbert, A.B., '07, is teaching in a school for deaf mutes near Philadelphia.

Alumni and other friends will feel a deep sorrow in the death of Mr. Walker K. McAninch, a Freshman of the present year, which occurred at his home at Hughesville, on January 17. Mr. McAninch was a promising boy; beloved by his fellow-students. He was a cousin of Mr. J. M. Walker, of the Council Committee on Ways and Means.

Summer School Announcement

Beginning June 6, 1910, a summer session will be held at Missouri Valley College. The length of the term will be ten weeks. Classes will meet on six days of the week, instead of five, making the amount of work done equal to the regular twelve weeks term of the regular session.

Instruction will be offered in both Normal and Collegiate work, in such branches as may be demanded.

The classes of students for whose benefit this session is to be held are as follows: (1) Students who are endeavoring to complete the college or the preparatory school in less than the allotted time, and who have shown their fitness to make the attempt; (2) Students in the college or preparatory school who have lost time on account of sickness, absence or conditions imposed; and (3) Teachers who wish to spend the summer in study.

The number of the last class is annually increasing. Credit is given on state, life and term certificates for the proper work done here; and full credit is given for collegiate or preparatory courses thus completed. Those students who take the Bachelor's degree in

either Arts or Philosophy, whose work has included the proper amount of Psychology, Philosophy, History of Education and Pedagogy, are granted a state certificate, good for life. This makes these courses very attractive to teachers who wish a liberal training in addition to the usual technical work.

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